



Nottingham City - Highway Asset Management Policy

Foreword

The purpose of this **Highway Asset Management Policy** is to set out the main Asset Management principles that we will adopt as a Council. It describes our commitment to asset management in how we manage our highway infrastructure, and how this approach can help support our corporate policies.

As a Council we recognise the importance of a well-managed highway network. Not only does this help us all get where we need to be quickly and safely, but roads and pavements that are well cared for help our city be a place we can all be proud of. That's why we're working towards filling 50,000 potholes by 2023 as well as resurfacing roads and pavements where this is needed most. This Policy outlines how we will manage our highway assets using the resources available to us over the next year.

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The City Council understands the vital role played by Nottingham’s Highway Services in supporting the authority’s vision of Citizens at the Heart.



Nottingham City Council recognises the importance of its local highway network in supporting the delivery of services and achieving the overarching Council vision and transport goals and is committed to applying asset management principles to the management and maintenance of its highway infrastructure.



Asset management will support the Council’s objectives to deliver:

Citizens at the Heart

Safe, clean, ambitious, proud

Nottingham in 2030 will be a city which has tackled deprivation and inequality by:

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| World Class Nottingham | Making poverty history | Making every neighbourhood a great place to live | Working Nottingham | Giving the best start in life to all of our children and young people |
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| Being one of Europe’s top ten cities for science and innovation, sport and culture | Neighbourhood Nottingham | Healthy Nottingham | Family Nottingham | Safer Nottingham |
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We will do this by adopting a sound asset management approach to delivering a Highway Infrastructure that supports One Nottingham’s longer term 20 year Vision for the City of Nottingham for 2030.

Asset Management will deliver this by:

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| Balancing competing needs across the network | Maintaining a safe highway environment |
| Maintaining a highway infrastructure network that supports investment, growth, effective transport links and journey times | Complying with statutory obligations for the safety of highway users |
| Maintaining an accessible and reliable highway infrastructure network that supports efficient journey times | Ensuring safety by undertaking a risk-based approach |
| Prioritising the condition of strategic routes to development areas whilst balancing the needs of communities, district centres and local services | Supporting air quality initiatives and low carbon transport choices |
| Providing a maintained local road network that shapes the character and quality of the local areas that it serves | Providing infrastructure access for all to education, healthcare, employment, leisure and social opportunities enables people to make the most of life, supporting stronger communities |



Working together and delivering on promises

Nottingham City Council is committed to sound asset management of highway infrastructure for the benefit of current and future generations. It recognises that asset management principles enable informed decisions to be made for:

- Funding infrastructure asset improvements and maintenance
- Cost effective targeting to achieve the greatest benefit
- Improved risk management in order to help deliver the best long-term outcomes for local communities.

The Council will achieve these by developing a Highway Infrastructure Asset Management Strategy that:

- Makes informed decisions based on accurate, complete and current data
- Defines levels of service for highway assets
- Takes a life-cycle approach to planning investment and management decisions
- Uses risk to balance competing needs across the highway network to meet the optimal outcomes
- Monitors, evaluates and, where necessary, improves service delivery
- Adopts a continuous improvement approach to:
 - Asset Management
 - Infrastructure maintenance policies and practices

The Council will prioritise the infrastructure assets that are most important to the City's growth, whilst recognising the importance of a well-maintained and safe road network for communities.